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NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES (37 C.F.R. § 43.31)

Applicant in the above-identified patent application hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated December 19, 2005, rejecting the following Claims 1-16, 20, and 22-24.

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Applicant claims small entity Status

A petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) is enclosed.

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